

## REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004, the Examiner noted that claims 1-11 were pending, and rejected all claims. Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 11 have been amended new claims 12 and 13 have been added and, thus, in view of the forgoing claims 1-13 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by Chrabaszcz. Page 3 of the Office Action rejects all claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Chrabaszcz and Rollins.

Both Chrabaszcz and Rollins are directed to sending email messages that have been created by the user. Chrabaszcz is particularly directed to making sure that attachments intended to be sent are actually affixed. Rollin is particularly directed to a system that includes messages that are not complete, such as missing an address. Neither of theses references addresses messages not created by the user.

In contrast, the present invention is designed to detect and stop messages that are not "created by the user" (see claims 1, 6, 7, 10 and 11) and particularly those by unauthorized agent, a virus, a trojan horse, etc. (see claims 2 & 3).

It is submitted that the invention of independent claims distinguishes over the prior art and withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

New claims 12 and 13 emphasize the alerting as to a message that has not been created by the user and that has the parts necessary to make it an email message while claim 13 also emphasizes allowing the user to send the message. Nothing in the prior art teaches or suggests such. It is submitted that these new claims, which are different and not narrower than prior filed claims distinguishes over the prior art.

It is submitted that the claims are not taught, disclosed or suggested by the prior art. The claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

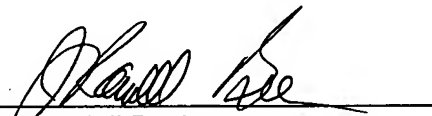
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If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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